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VIA ECFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: Ex Parte Presentation

PS Dockets No. 06-229, 12-94

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday, May 15, 2012, Todd Early, Mike Barney, Cynthia Wenzel Cole and Ryan Felts, representing the State of Texas, met at FCC headquarters with Jennifer Manner of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau and Charles Mathias, Special Counsel to the Chairman of the FCC.

The primary purpose of the meeting was to request an understanding of the status and timing for the approval of the *Texas Interoperability Showing*, v9 filed on January 13, 2012.

The discussion also addressed the urgency the State of Texas has for obtaining permission to operate a State of Texas Public Safety LTE system on the 700 MHz Public Safety Broadband Spectrum, the willingness for Texas to demonstrate compliance to FCC regulations, willingness of Texas to provide early lessons learned which will benefit FirstNet and a request to obtain permission from the Commission to proceed as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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